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## **RESIDENTIAL FIRE**

## 1311 McMillan Street #7

**MEMPHIS, TN** - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 1311 McMillan Street, Friday, July 2, 2021 at 11:31 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood apartments. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Fifteen (15) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately forty (40) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief D. Atkins was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 11:42 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. One unit sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$3,000.00 structure and \$2,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen. Red Cross provided assistance for one adult.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: <a href="https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/">https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/</a> or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other **FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY** issues please dial (901) 458-8281.